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Changes

1. This Change Transmittal issues updates to **9 FAM 42.22 Regs/Statutes**. The following citations were deleted: INA 212 (c), (Amended by Sec 304 of Public Law 104-208, September 30, 1996.) The following citations were either written out and/or added as new material: INA 101(a)(27)(A), INA 222(b), INA 316, INA 317, and 22 CFR 42.22.
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3. Revisions since the last update **do not** appear in *italics* and *dark magenta*. The majority of the text is new material.
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